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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Mike J. Dinkel et al.

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For: HYDRAULIC MANIFOLD ASSEMBLY  
FOR VARIABLE ACTIVATION AND  
DEACTIVATION OF VALVES IN AN  
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

**Introductory Comments**

The present amendment and accompanying remarks are being submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2003. The specification has been amended and no claims have been cancelled. Therefore, claims 1-22 remain pending in the present application.